



General Assembly

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**Committee Bill No. 5590**

LCO No. 4828



Referred to Committee on LABOR AND PUBLIC EMPLOYEES

Introduced by:  
(LAB)

***AN ACT CREATING A TASK FORCE TO IMPROVE THE WORKFORCE DEVELOPMENT SYSTEM IN THE STATE OF CONNECTICUT.***

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in General Assembly convened:

1 Section 1. (*Effective from passage*) (a) There is established a task force  
2 to study the effectiveness, impact and cohesiveness of workforce  
3 development programs and initiatives in the state. The task force shall  
4 study programs and initiatives administered or offered by (1) the  
5 Office of Workforce Competiveness, (2) the Connecticut Employment  
6 and Training Commission, established pursuant to section 31-3h of the  
7 general statutes, (3) the regional workforce development boards,  
8 established pursuant to section 31-3k of the general statutes, (4) the  
9 Department of Economic and Community Development, (5) the  
10 technical high school system, and (6) the public and private  
11 institutions of higher education in the state.

12 (b) The task force shall consist of the following members:

13 (1) Two appointed by the speaker of the House of Representatives;

14 (2) One appointed by the president pro tempore of the Senate;

15 (3) One appointed by the Senate Republican President Pro Tempore;

16 (4) One appointed by the majority leader of the House of  
17 Representatives;

18 (5) One appointed by the majority leader of the Senate;

19 (6) One appointed by the minority leader of the House of  
20 Representatives;

21 (7) One appointed by the minority leader of the Senate; and

22 (8) The Labor Commissioner, or the commissioner's designee.

23 (c) Any member of the task force appointed under subdivision (1),  
24 (2), (3), (4), (5), (6) or (7) of subsection (b) of this section may be a  
25 member of the General Assembly.

26 (d) All appointments to the task force shall be made not later than  
27 thirty days after the effective date of this section. Any vacancy shall be  
28 filled by the appointing authority.

29 (e) There shall be two chairpersons and such chairpersons shall be  
30 selected from among the members of the task force. Such chairpersons  
31 shall schedule the first meeting of the task force, which shall be held  
32 not later than sixty days after the effective date of this section.

33 (f) The administrative staff of the joint standing committee of the  
34 General Assembly having cognizance of matters relating to labor and  
35 public employees shall serve as administrative staff of the task force.

36 (g) Not later than January 1, 2018, the task force shall submit a  
37 report on its findings and recommendations to the joint standing  
38 committee of the General Assembly having cognizance of matters  
39 relating to labor and public employees, in accordance with the  
40 provisions of section 11-4a of the general statutes. The task force shall  
41 terminate on the date that it submits such report or January 1, 2018,  
42 whichever is later.

This act shall take effect as follows and shall amend the following sections:		
Section 1	<i>from passage</i>	New section

**Statement of Purpose:**

To study and improve the workforce development system in the state.

*[Proposed deletions are enclosed in brackets. Proposed additions are indicated by underline, except that when the entire text of a bill or resolution or a section of a bill or resolution is new, it is not underlined.]*

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